

GRAIN AND PRODUCE MARKET

Short interest in December wheat nearly eliminated. Northwest wheat dangerously low. Corn experts to make a record, and cargoes engaged to all ports.

From the action of the market it would seem as though the short interest in December wheat has been almost eliminated. The market started very strong, but soon flattened out, as it became known that the demand was as small as it was last week.

The corn market shows there is a considerable short interest among the receiving houses and exporters. The market for the largest exporting year in a long period. Chicago futures advanced 1/16 to 1 1/4, and the Philadelphia market is also showing a similar advance.

Wheat—No. 3 hard, \$1.06 1/2; No. 2 hard, \$1.07; No. 4 hard, \$1.08 1/2; No. 5 hard, \$1.09 1/2; No. 6 hard, \$1.10 1/2; No. 7 hard, \$1.11 1/2; No. 8 hard, \$1.12 1/2.

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